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State of Indiana
Fire and Building Code Enforcement
ATTN: David Smith
Indiana Government of Homeland Security
Indiana Government Center South
302 W. Washington St.
Room E208
Indianapolis, IN 46204

RE: City of La Porte, Ordinance No. 29-2016

Dear Mr. Smith:

Ordinance 29-2016 was passed unanimously by the La Porte City Council. We would like you to consider the language and respectfully request authorization to move forward with implementing the ordinance. Please let us know if there are any questions.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Rebecca McCuaig City Attorney

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Enclosure

cc: Andy Snyder

DEGEOVED DEC 16 2016 By SAS

ORDINANCE NO. 29-2016

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING INSTALLATION OF CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS IN NEW CONSTRUCTION

WHEREAS, Carbon Monoxide poisoning is a serious public health concern; and,

WHEREAS, over ten thousand (10,000) individuals are poisoned needing medical treatment and over five hundred (500) deaths occur each year from Carbon Monoxide poisoning; and,

WHEREAS, as of January 2016, thirty (30) states have enacted legislation regarding carbon monoxide detectors; and,

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of La Porte recommends supporting efforts to eliminate this risk.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of La Porte as follows:

SECTION 1. Definitions.

- a. Carbon Monoxide Detector- a device that detects the presence of the carbon monoxide (CO) gas in order to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning.
- <u>SECTION 2.</u> Carbon Monoxide Detector Requirement. For every building for which a building permit is issued for new construction on or after December 31, 2016 and having a fireplace, attached garage, or fossil fuel burning building, shall have one (1) operational Carbon Monoxide Detector.
- **SECTION 3**. Conflicting Ordinance. Any Ordinance in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be repealed.
- <u>SECTION 4.</u> Severability. The invalidity of any section clause sentence or provision of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other part of this Ordinance which can be given effect without such invalid part or parts.
- **SECTION 5.** That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, adoption, and publication as required by law.
- PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of La Porte, Indiana, this 5th day of December, 2016.

Blair E. Milo, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jensa J. Judiw Teresa L. Ludlow, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED by me this 54d day of December, 2016.

Blan E. Milo, Mayor

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Teresa L. Ludlow, Clerk-Treasurer

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